

ROCKFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT



ANNUAL REPORT 2021



WHERE DEDICATION FINDS PURPOSE

Vision Statement

The Rockford Police Department values the citizens we serve as well as those dedicated to protect them. We are committed to making the City of Rockford a safe community in which to live, work and flourish.

Mission Statement

The Members of Rockford Police Department are dedicated to protecting the lives and property of the citizens of Rockford by reducing crime and building relationships that cultivate prosperity.

Core VALUES

Vigilance We are ever watchful

Accountability We will always be responsible in our duties

Loyalty We are devoted to the community, organization, profession

Unity We stand as one with all we serve

Ethics We will do what is right without compromise

Service We are dedicated to giving of ourselves





Chief Carla Redd

ROCKFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT COMMAND STAFF



Deputy Chief
Kurt Whisenand



Asst. Deputy Chief
Joel Givens



Asst. Deputy Chief
Randy Berke



Asst. Deputy Chief
Scott Olson

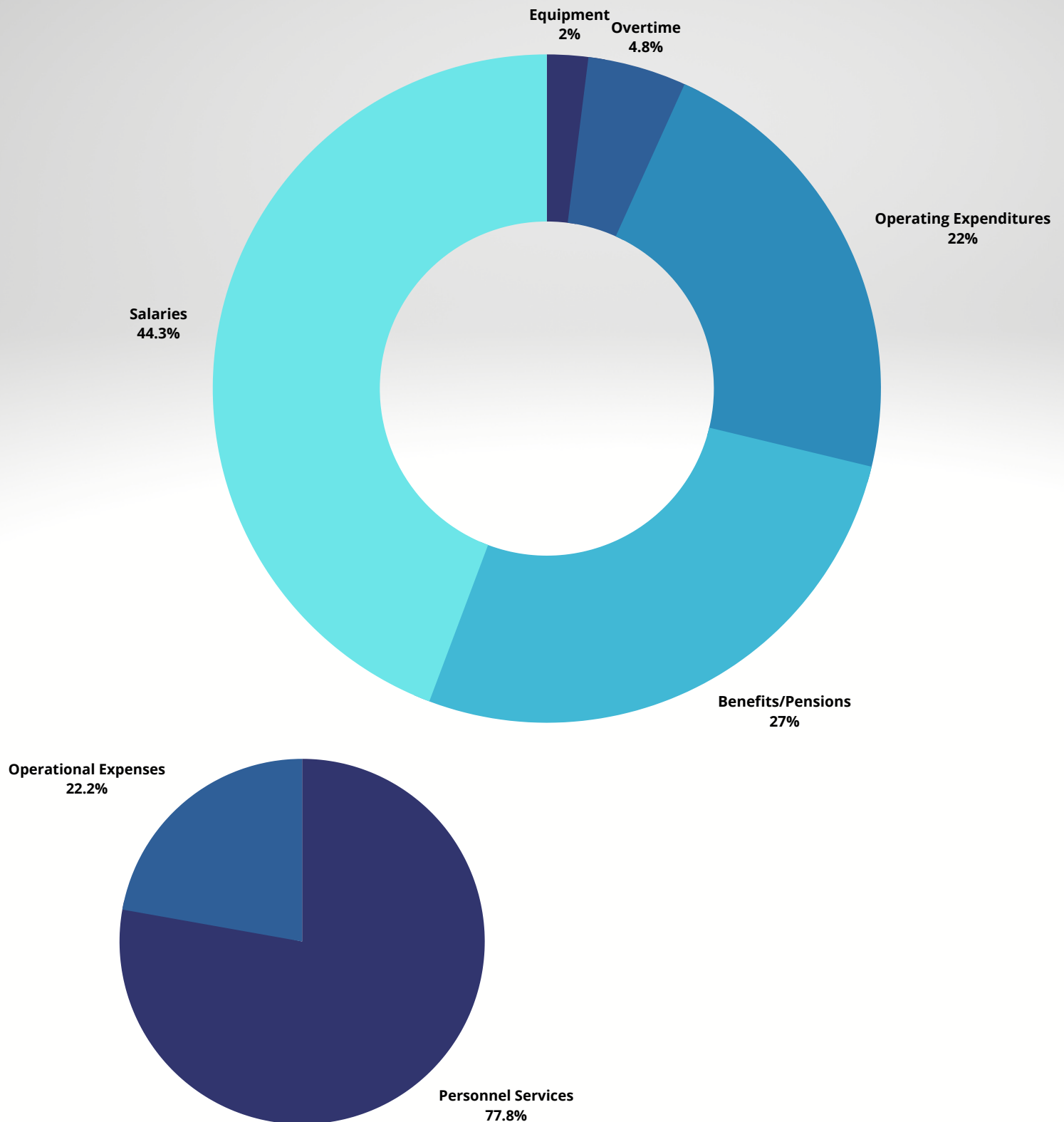


Asst. Deputy Chief
Michael Dalke



Asst. Deputy Chief
Robert Reffett

Operating Expenditures Total in the 2021 Fiscal Year: \$66,289,419*



*As of November 30, 2021

2021 GOALS

- Improve efficiency of response to non-priority calls for service to reduce obligated time for patrol officers and increase the time officers have available for community policing activities.
- Coordinate efforts focused upon domestic violence reduction in collaboration with the Mayor's Domestic Violence and Human Trafficking Office.
- Initiate new mental health response protocols and practices to help reduce unnecessary calls for service and overall crime.
- Continue to research, develop and implement the following technologies: automated license plate readers, shot spotter technology, in-car dash cameras, and new records management system and computer aided dispatch system.
- Implement a Body Worn Camera program Department wide.
- Bolster recruitment program and diversify ranks.
- Promote physical and emotional wellness.



ADMINISTRATIVE BUREAU

The Administrative Bureau is comprised of Accreditation, Records, Chaplains, Research and Development, Information Technology, Payroll, Fiscal Services and the Volunteer Services. The Administrative Bureau is under the command of Assistant Deputy Chief Scott Olson.

Property and Evidence Division

The Property and Evidence Division is responsible for ensuring the integrity of evidence and property recovered by Rockford Police.

Fiscal Services Section

The Fiscal Services Section manages the Police Department's purchases, accounts payable and accounts receivable. The section also maintains an inventory of uniforms and police equipment, monitors the Department's equipment budget, researches the purchase of law enforcement equipment, prepares bid specifications and oversees contracts with vendors.

Records Center

The Records Center is responsible for providing timely and accurate information from the thousands of reports that the Rockford Police Department keeps on file. The Records Center Division also compiles statistics and reports them to the State of Illinois and FBI as outlined by the National Incident Based Reporting Standards (NIBRS).

Recruiting Section

The Recruiting Section is responsible for finding and attracting candidates for the position of sworn police officer for the department.

OPERATIONS BUREAU

The Rockford Police Department's Operations Bureau has vast responsibilities, encompassing several aspects of the work that keeps Rockford safe by enforcing the law while respecting the rights of citizens.

The Operations Bureau is comprised of three patrol districts: the Traffic Unit, K9 Unit, Community Services and the Resident Officers (ROCK). Each district is under the command of the following:

- Assistant Deputy Chief Joel Givens, District 1
- Assistant Deputy Chief Randy Berke, District 2
- Assistant Deputy Chief Scott Olson, District 3





INVESTIGATIONS BUREAU

The Rockford Police Department Investigations Bureau is responsible for conducting follow up investigations on all criminal incidents. The bureau is under the command of Assistant Deputy Chief Robert Reffett and is staffed by day and afternoon shifts, and on-call detectives. The Investigations Bureau is comprised of the following units: crime scene, domestic violence, financial and property crimes, gang, narcotics, property and evidence, sensitive crimes and violent crimes. The bureau is also staffed by patrol officers of the following units: Intelligence and the Specialized Community Oriented Policing Enforcement teams (SCOPE).

OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

The Rockford Police Department Office of Professional Standards (OPS) is under the command of Assistant Deputy Chief Michael Dalke. The Office of Professional Standards consists of Internal Affairs and Administrative Review Processes.

2021 STATISTICS

OFFENSES AND MORE	TOTALS
Homicides	24
Victims Struck by Gunfire	164
Robbery	255
Aggravated Assault	1,874
Burglary	1,383
Property Crimes	3,881
Motor Vehicle Theft	473
Shots Fired	750
Central Reporting Unit Reports	7,233
Calls For Service	162,897

TRAFFIC STATS

- Issued 4,496 citations
- Issued 965 written warnings
- TOTAL of 5,461 citations/written warnings
- Investigated and Reconstructed 31 Fatal Traffic Investigations
- Investigated and Reconstructed 25 Great Bodily Harm Accidents
- TOTAL of 56 Fatal/Great Bodily Harm Incidents
- Hit and Run Investigator Freese investigated 185 Hit & Run Incidents

K9 STATS



The Rockford Police Department has six full-time K9 Teams that operate both day and evening hours. They are commanded by an Administrative Lieutenant.

In 2021:

- 131 tracks completed this year in attempt to locate suspects of crimes.
- Apprehended 76 fleeing/hidden suspects.
- Performed 124 evidence searches and recovered 93 items.
- Was able to locate and take 22 firearms off of the streets.
- Conducted 39 public K-9 Demonstrations
- Attended Canine Legal Update Seminar
- Attended E-Collar Class (Spring 2021)
- Attended bi-annual K9 Certification



ACHIEVEMENTS/ COMMUNITY SERVICE

Property Crimes Decreased by 7.4%

Recovered 433 guns (54% increase)

Violent Crime is still trending down

Multiple Promotions and Retirements

Instillation and Utilization of Body Worn Cameras

Public Body Worn Cameras Community Meetings
(Three in total, one in each District)

Signed 30x30 Pledge (Women in Policing)

Internal "Ladies of Law" Group Started

Crisis Co-Response Team was put into daily use starting in January. Two Rosecrance mental health clinicians, two Rockford police detectives and a deputy with the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office make up a Crisis Co-response team. The goal of CCRT is to identify individuals struggling through a mental health crisis and get help before they enter the jail system.

ACHIEVEMENTS/ COMMUNITY SERVICE

- New ROCK House Officer, Cory Magnuson, moved in to 1233 Revell Avenue in May.
- Officers Seale and Turner created and continue to facilitate ROCK House Soccer this summer. This program meets every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, and allows area youth to sharpen their soccer skills, while having positive interactions law-enforcement, and learning life skills such as respect and healthy living.
- Officer Turner continues “Fresh For Learning” at Five Alarm Laundromat on E. Riverside. RPS205 students and families can do their laundry for FREE every Wednesday evening, courtesy of Molina Healthcare.
- Officers joined with T & C Cooking Creations for a youth Cooking Class last March. The kids were taught how to make a healthy delicious meal for their family.
- Polar Plunge for Special Olympics
- Alignment Rockford’s Middle School Career Fair (ISC)



ACHIEVEMENTS/ COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Police Week Activities at CherryVale Mall
- Cars & Coffee (Saturdays)
- All Hallow's Eve at Midway Village
- Pumpkins with Police at District 2
- Trunk or Treat (off 7th Street in RPS205 parking lot)
- Kegel's Kares Necessities Drive (Food, coats, toiletries and more)
- Kick In for Cancer Fundraising Event at SM&SF Club
- Jaime Cox Memorial Run
- Cones with Cops (McDonald's on Riverside)
- Officer Murphy repelled down Supply Core for the Girl Scout's "Over the Edge" Event
- Assistant Deputy Chief Givens read to students at both Welsh and Washington Elementary



ACHIEVEMENTS/ COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Each month, our Community Services Officers attend Neighborhood Group Meetings (some months there are 12 meetings!)
- Dunkin' Donuts Law Enforcement Torch Run
- Battle of the Badges Blood Drive (which RPD came out victorious AGAIN!)
- Rockford Park District Bears Camp
- Homeless Outreach with City of Rockford Human Services
- Cops 2 Bobbers Annual Fishing fun at Rock Cut
- Christmas with Superheroes with the Fatherhood Encouragement Project
- Firetruck Pull for K Cancer (we took the win in 2021!)
- Rolling Strong (bike safety and bike giveaways at local RPS205 schools)
- Presents with Police (PBPBA donated funds for presents and Rockford Police Officers shopped with over 100 kids)
- Gigi's Playhouse Breakfast with Santa (Farm & Fleet and Blue 815)





MILESTONES

RETIREMENTS

Christopher Aldrich	6/1/21
Jeffrey Andrews	5/4/21
Harold Combs	3/8/21
Joseph Danforth	5/15/21
Jeffrey Davis	9/1/21
Todd Drager	7/12/21
Donald Dulgar	5/7/21
John Eissens	11/1/21
James Gulley	1/8/21
John Hoeksema	2/1/21
Brad Larson	5/3/21
Betsy McIntosh	8/27/21
Kevin Ogden	3/1/21
Douglas Pann	3/15/21
David Paterson	4/24/21
Marc Posley	10/5/21
James Rossow	2/19/21
Timothy Stec	9/22/21

PROMOTION TO CHIEF

Carla Redd	8/29/21
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PROMOTION TO DEPUTY CHIEF

Whisenand, Kurt	3/1/21
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MILESTONES

PROMOTION TO ASSISTANT DEPUTY CHIEF

Randy Berke	3/1/21
Joel Givens	3/15/21
Scott Olson	10/10/21

PROMOTION TO LIEUTENANT

Eric Boettcher	10/10/21
Paul Gallagher	3/1/21
Eddie Torrance	3/8/21

PROMOTION TO SERGEANT

Dwayne Beets	7/8/21
Carl Bergstrom	4/6/21
Eric Harris	3/1/21
Eric McLain	10/10/21
Oskaras Stundzia	3/8/21
John Wassner	5/20/21
John Wenstrom	7/8/21

PROMOTION TO INVESTIGATOR

Chris Boeke	6/13/21
Brandon Bradbury	9/5/21
Rich Campion	1/10/21



MILESTONES

PROMOTION TO INVESTIGATOR

Ryan Cory	1/10/21
Adam Cox	5/30/21
Bryce Davis	5/30/21
Rich Dodd	9/5/21
Ryan Fleming	7/11/21
Benjamin Johnson	6/13/21
Charles Keen	5/2/21
Chelsey Lochner	5/20/21
Nicole Macias	9/27/21
Kaera Shelby	4/18/21
Matthew Shelton	4/4/21
Melissa Sundly	7/11/21
Bradley Walker	8/8/21
Brandon Wells	8/29/21
Harley Wessner	5/30/21

NEW OFFICERS - January 21

Dion Embrey
 Salvadore Krischke
 Felix Rodriguez
 Sarah DelRe
 Jordan Black
 Hilario Real
 Cheyenne Flute
 Joseph Herron
 Michael Rhein
 Carlitos McTizic
 Samantha Futrell

MILESTONES

NEW OFFICERS - September 10

Jose Alvarez

Bryan Reyes

Carlye Heitter

Diego Arguelles

Daniel Nichols



Rockford Police Districts



**District 3 -
Headquarters
557 S New Towne
Drive**

**District 2
1410 Broadway**



**District 1
1045 W State
Street**



Remembering The Fallen



KEVIN D. RICE, SR.
EOW: AUGUST 03, 2001



RANDALL A. BLANK
EOW: DECEMBER 31, 1980



CHARLES J. WILLIAMS
EOW: JUNE 01, 1972



JAIMIE J. A. COX
EOW: NOVEMBER 05, 2017



ARTHUR H. BASSETT
EOW: SEPTEMBER 22, 1927



LORENZO J. GILLOGLY
EOW: OCTOBER 12, 1917



FRANK CICHELLA
EOW: FEBRUARY 25, 1927

